

SCHOOL TEACHER HEALTH EDUCATOR

Rural Instructor Can Perform Valuable Service for His Community.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Washington, December 4.—The country school-teacher should be a public health educator, according to Dr. Charles E. North, of New York City, author of an article on "Sanitation in Rural Communities," just issued by the United States Bureau of Education. As the natural intellectual leader of his community, the rural teacher, he maintains, can do for public health in the country what the medical inspector and school nurses are doing in the city—point the way to clean living. Mere teaching of physiology is not what is needed. Physiology may satisfy the curiosity of children as to their internal organs, but it does not protect them in any way against tuberculosis from contaminated milk or typhoid from impure water. The rising generation, whether in the country or in the city, has a right to be instructed in the first principles of sanitary science. Far from being too difficult to teach in the elementary school, the subject of public health can be made both understandable and interesting. Such a simple operation as washing the hands, for instance, reference to bacteria, "personal cleanliness, purity of food and of drinks, the nature of disease, and the method of transmission, are all things which can be expressed in the simplest terms and made clear to the understanding of children," asserts Dr. North. "Milk is value as a food, the fact that it is highly appreciated by bacteria, and that it is therefore necessary to protect it against them—these are not too difficult for the child to understand."

Dr. North emphasizes the need of special training in this subject for school teachers. He believes that normal schools and teachers' colleges should have regular courses in public health, so that the country school teacher may be armed with the essential facts of sanitary science. Remarkable results may be expected to follow adequate public health work by rural school teachers. It is estimated that if effective sanitation were enforced the present average of forty-five years for human life would be prolonged to sixty. In rural communities annually 600,000 persons die and about 2,000,000 others are seriously ill from infectious diseases. If only one-half of these deaths and cases of sickness can be eliminated it means that an immense field of useful work lies at the hand of the country school teacher who will become a public health educator and will instruct the children and the mothers and fathers how to prevent the transmission of contagious bacteria from those who carry them to those who do not.

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Lodge Elects Officers.
[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Lynchburg, Va., December 4.—Marshall Lodge, A. F. & A. M., one of the oldest in the State, has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Worshipful master, J. L. Brown; senior warden, S. W. Patterson; junior warden, C. A. Sprague; secretary, E. F. Menefee; treasurer, W. F. Holt; senior deacon, S. R. Weland; junior deacon, P. L. Hawes; tiller, P. F. Price.

ROOSEVELT IN THE RANKS

Reported as Not Being Desirous of Leading His Party.
Boston, Mass., December 4.—Theodore Roosevelt was quoted as saying that he would not be a candidate again for the presidency by Charles Sumner Reed, defeated Progressive candidate for Governor, in an address at the Progressive's banquet here last night. Mr. Reed conferred with Colonel Roosevelt recently in New York. At this conference, according to Mr. Reed, the former President said that he no longer desired to lead the party, but that he would continue to support its policies with the rank and file of the party.

PRAYED FOR FORGIVENESS

Hickey Later Given Money by W. C. T. U. Worker in Boston.
Boston, Mass., December 4.—Saying that he wanted to make himself "right with God," J. Frank Hickey, the confessed boy murderer, went to the headquarters of the Massachusetts Women's Temperance Union, November 11, and in the presence of Mrs. Katherine Lent Stevenson, president of the union, prayed for forgiveness. Mrs. Stevenson gave \$2 to help him.

Inquiry Blank Administrative Board

Cut this out, fill up and mail to Robert Whittier, Jr., chairman, city. If possible, fill up two, one concerning your residence and one your business location. Urge your fellow-citizens to use the blanks.

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(Street and Number.)

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How often is this street swept? _____

Is the alley in this block paved? _____

What is the sanitary condition of this alley? _____

How many times is it swept? _____

How is it lighted? _____

What is the condition of the water supply in your section? _____

Do you know of anything in your neighborhood which is necessary, in the way of public improvements for the welfare of this part of the city? _____

pay his fare from this city to New York. He said he had friends in New York who would furnish him with transportation to Whittier, N. J., where a week later he was arrested, charged with the murder of Joseph Joseph, of Lackawanna, N. Y.

STABBING FOLLOWS HAZING

Boy Dies of Wounds—Divinity Student Under Arrest.
Springfield, Mo., December 4.—Bryan Crane, sixteen-year-old son of T. V. B. Crane, of this city, died to-day at a hospital of two knife wounds in the abdomen, inflicted Saturday, following a hazing party at Morrisville College. Millard Copeland, a twenty-six-year-old divinity student, is under arrest, charged with the stabbing. After the hazing of Copeland he is said to have attacked Crane.

Goes to Gallows Singing.
Macon, Ga., December 4.—Walking to the gallows singing, "I don't know where I am going," "But I'm on my way," Oscar Clyde, a negro, was hanged here to-day for the murder of his wife and brother-in-law. Previous to the springing of the trap the negro asked and received permission to take off his shoes, the condemned man saying, "I do not want to die with my boots on."

Accused for Nonsupport.
Millard Watson, formerly of North Carolina, was arrested yesterday for nonsupport upon a warrant sworn out by his wife. He will appear in Police Court this morning to answer the charge.

Cruelty to Mule.
Willie Monroe, colored, was arrested by Detective Sergeant P. A. Belton yesterday on the charge of cruelly beating a mule. W. Douglas Gordon is a witness in the case.

AMUSEMENTS.

Academy—Adelaide Thurston in "The Love Affair."
Bijou—"Life's Shop Window."
Colonial—Vandeville.
Empire—Vandeville Musical Comedy.
Lubin—Vandeville.

Young Musical Comedy at the Empire.
Having long ago laid out and cultivated the field of popular-priced amusements in Richmond, here comes Jake Wells with a brand-new crop, which seems destined to prove as popular among their patrons as alfalfa is among agriculturists. At the Empire Theatre, which is leased and managed by the Dominion Amusement Company, which, being translated, means Jake Wells and his associates—Jake Wells himself presents this week a decided novelty in the form of a musical comedy that runs only an hour. Altogether too long for a "musical sketch," and entirely too short for a regular musical comedy, the offering is appropriately titled "A Tabloid Musical Comedy." Besides the musical director, Fred

to grant a motion of the defense to take the case from the jury.

Counsel for Fitzgerald contended that only the Subtreasurer could be held responsible for the loss of the money, and as Fitzgerald was a clerk he was relieved of all responsibility. Judge Carpenter, in making his ruling, said he investigated this phase of the case and found that the defense in law was groundless.

CONVICTS CHEER AT MOVING-PICTURE SHOW

Entertainment a Surprise to Prisoners in Penitentiary at Joliet.

Joliet, Ill., December 4.—Convicts, old and young, laughed and applauded like children when the first of a series of motion picture entertainments was given at the State prison by Warden E. J. Murphy. Two comedies and one Swiss Alps scene were shown.

Only a few of the prisoners ever had seen a motion picture, many of the spectators being long-term men, who had spent years behind the bars before "movies" came into vogue.

The entertainment came as a surprise to the convicts. Instead of being marched from the dining hall back to work at noon, they were taken into the chapel, which was darkened. When the machine started to buzz there were exclamations of wonder and when the first picture was thrown on the sheet cheering started.

Similar entertainments will be given weekly. Only prisoners with good records will be permitted to view the pictures. All films will be censored, and none dealing with crime shown.

SALE IS DESCRIBED

Witness Tells How Company Was Absorbed by Trust.

St. Louis, December 4.—Negotiations for the sale in 1902 of the Plano Company of Chicago to William C. Lane, and later its incorporation into the International Harvester Company, were described this afternoon at the Federal government hearings in the suit to dissolve the International by O. W. James, of St. Louis, collection agent for the International, who was a stockholder in the Plano Company. All negotiations were carried on through George W. Perkins, Jones testified, and he and the other Plano Company officers acted on the advice of the Plano Company's attorneys and Mr. Perkins. Another witness introduced by the government, John Plattner, of the Plattner Implement Company, Denver, testified that his company began manufacturing reapers in 1885, and that every year since the output had doubled.

NO LAW VIOLATION

Norfolk Coal Dealers Have Been Buying in Open Market.

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Norfolk, Va., December 4.—United States Attorney D. Lawrence Groner to-day decided there has been no violation of the interstate commerce law by the anthracite coal dealers here. Mr. Groner was instructed by the Department of Justice at Washington to ascertain if there was a combine here to control prices, but after examining three witnesses the proceeding was dismissed.

Dealers testified they bought their coal in the open market and are not under obligation to buy from any particular concern or any particular producer, and are at liberty to sell at any price they see fit.

WITNESSES SUMMONED

They Will Be Asked What They Know About Money Trust.

Washington, December 4.—Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms of the House, Richard White returned to Washington to-day after serving subpoenas on witnesses who will appear before the House Committee on Banking and Currency on Monday for the opening of the money trust investigation. Following is the first list of witnesses furnished the sergeant-at-arms to be subpoenaed, by Samuel Untermyer, chief counsel for the committee: W. W. McCandless, president of the Pittsburgh-Clearing House; Robert Ward, president of the People's Bank of Pittsburgh; Harrison Nesbit, president of the Bank of Pittsburgh; Eugene

CLOSE ELLIS ISLAND

Suggested as One Solution of Immigration Problem.
Chicago, December 4.—"We should close Ellis Island for about five years and make some of the Southern cities ports of entry," declared Rev. Charles Stelez, speaking before the Federal Council of the Churches of Christ to-day. Rev. Mr. Stelez said that immigrants coming to American shores should not be permitted to lose their idealism and that their finer qualities should be developed. He said he would begin by closing Ellis Island. He suggested that labor questions were pre-eminently religious questions and that the church could solve many of the differences between labor and capital.

AINSLIE WITH GOVERNORS

Franchise Ordinance Not Yet Enacted or Passed.
Mayor Ainslie accompanied the visiting Governors to Norfolk and Virginia Beach yesterday. It will be several days before the engraved copy of the light and power franchise for the Richmond and Henrico Railway Company is presented for his signature. The Mayor has not indicated his views in advance on the subject being formally presented to him. It is supposed that the two companies interested—the Virginia Railway and Power Company, now engaged in the light and power business, and the Richmond and Henrico company, applicants for the franchise, will desire to be heard before the Mayor takes action on the paper.

ROCKEFELLER LOSES LAND

Cannot Retain Tract Adjoining His Pecanette Hills Estate.
White Plains, N. Y., December 4.—John D. Rockefeller will have to give up a tract of land adjoining his big estate at Pecanette Hills, which he acquired recently by purchasing the Catholic Missionary Society, of New York, and turn it over to the society, according to a decision by Supreme Court Justice Keogh. The owner, Joseph Gossani, and already negotiated with the society to sell for \$12,000, the testimony in the case was, when agents for the oil magnate, finding that Gossani's wife had not signed the contract, bought the land, and Mr. Rockefeller took possession. He had disliked the prospect of having a group of charitable buildings erected so near his own land, it is understood.

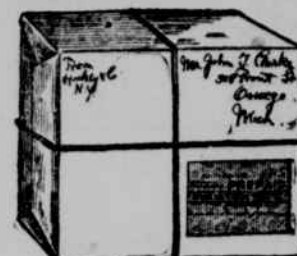
The society sued to compel the Gossanis to keep their agreement, and the court now has ruled that the contract was a valid one and ordered the Gossanis to carry it out. The society will therefore, under this ruling, be able to take possession and proceed with the construction of its buildings.

COURT REFUSES MOTION

Declines to Take Fitzgerald Case From Jury.

Chicago, December 4.—Counsel for George W. Fitzgerald, who is on trial for the alleged theft of \$172,000 from the United States Subtreasury of Chicago in 1907, will begin offering testimony in behalf of their client to-morrow in the United States District Court. Judge Carpenter to-day refused

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These witnesses will be questioned with regard to the relations of the various banks and clearing houses with which they are connected, with other financial institutions throughout the country and with Wall Street organizations. Chairman Puleo, of the committee, expects to conclude the hearings and be in a position to frame remedial currency legislation some time in January.

QUARLES RESPITED

Negro Sentenced to Die To-morrow Given Extension to January 2.
Richard T. Quarles, sentenced to die in the electric chair to-morrow for capital crimes against Miss Myrtle Rouse in Ashland, and Miss Maggie Robison in Richmond, has been respited by Governor Mann until January 3. Unless clemency is again invoked he will die on that date. The respite was officially granted Tuesday. For some reason, however, no announcement of the fact was made from the executive office until yesterday. Attorney Henry M. Smith for the convicted negro, has announced that no appeal from the verdict of the

trial court in Hanover County will be taken, and it is not thought likely that Governor Mann will interfere with carrying out of the sentence on January 2.

SNATCHED HER PURSE

Man Grabs Bag From Woman's Hands and Escapes in Darkness.
As Mrs. Mike Fahad, of 1509 East Main Street, was walking along through the rain last night about 7:15 o'clock a man suddenly brushed close to her at the corner of Twentieth and Broad Streets, snatched her nickel handbag and sped off into the darkness. Mrs. Fahad screamed and rushed in pursuit of the flying figure, but the man was soon swallowed up in the shadows and mist.

The handbag, which was valued at \$7, contained a little change and a powder puff. According to the description furnished by Mrs. Fahad, the man was about five feet six inches in height, and was dressed in a long, dark overcoat, with a slouch hat pulled down over his eyes. He is supposed to have been a negro.

TWELVE MONTHS IN JAIL

Robert Shelton Found Guilty of Entering House on Main Street.
The second trial of Robert Shelton, colored, on the charge of burglary, resulted in conviction for the lesser offense of entering without house-breaking yesterday, when the jury of

the Hustings Court returned a verdict of twelve months in jail and \$5 fine. Shelton was arrested last January after the charge of breaking into the house at 315 West Main Street. His first trial resulted in a hung jury.

T. F. Jeffress Better.
It was reported last night at his home that Thomas F. Jeffress, capitalist and executor of the Lewis Ginter estate, who has been ill at his country home, "Meadowbrook," is recovering and will be out again within a few days. Mr. Jeffress is not thought to be seriously ill. He is president of the Crystal Ice Company, the Wortendyke Manufacturing Company, executor of the Ginter estate, and is financially interested in numerous other concerns.

List of Dead Is Eleven.
Zanesville, O., December 4.—Eleven dead, one probably fatally injured and four others seriously injured, was the complete toll announced to-day of the rear-end collision last night between Cincinnati and Muskingum Fall passenger train No. 2 and Cleveland, Akron and Columbus passenger train No. 125, in which the rear coach of the Cleveland, Akron and Columbus train was telescoped.

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